[English]

Implementation of Reservation Rules by Educational Institutions

2973. SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether certain educational institutions which are in receipt of grants-in-aid from the University Grants Commission are not implementing the Reservation Rules in recruitment and promotions in favour of SC/ST in utter violation of the Constitution of India and the rules made thereunder:

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action, the Government, propose to take against such institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c). According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the Commission has been urging the Universities to implement the Statutory Reservation Policy for SCs/STs in matters of admission and appointments to teaching and non-teaching posts. Central Universities/Deemed Universities are expected to take appropriate action for implementation of the reservation policy announced by the Government in this behalf. As regards State Universities, they are expected to follow the reservation policies prescribed by the respective States.

UGC has set up SC/ST Cells in 98 Universities for effective implementation of the reservation policy. Matters relating to this policy are discussed by UGC with the concerned Universities from time to time with a view to ensuring that the Policy is implemented in letter and spirit.

Sanction For Civil Works of Women's Hostels in Mysore

2974. SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of India and the World Bank have sanctioned an additional outlay of Rs. 67 million for Civil works of Women's Hostel and Polytechnic for physically handicapped at Mysore;

(b) if so, the amount spent so far;

(c) the progress of work;

(d) the amount proposed to be spent during 1996-97; and

(e) the time by which they are likely to be ready for occupation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (e). An additional outlay of Rs.68.00 million (Rs.680.00 lakhs) has been approved by the Government of India and the World Bank for Civil Works for 4 Women hostels at Hubli, Mysore, Hassan and Shimoga and Polytechnic for Physically Handicapped at Mysore. Rs. 127.00 lakhs has been spent as on 30-6-96 which includes Government Polytechnic for Women, Hubli JSS Polytechnic for Women, Mysore, Government Women' Polytechnic, Shimoga and also Institute for Physically Handicapped Mysore. The construction of hostel for Government Polytechnic for Women at Hassan is likely to start in November, 1996. The amount proposed to be spent for these buildings during 1996-97 is Rs. 380.00 lakhs. The hostels for the polytechnics at Hubli and Mysore and Shimoga are expected to be completed by June, 1997 and the construction for Physically Handicapped is expected to be completed by December, 1997.

Height of Sardar Sarovar Project

2975. SHRI SANAT MEHTA :
SHRI DILEEP SANGHANI :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the main issues discussed in the last meeting of Chief Ministers of Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Maharashtra regarding height of Sardar Sarovar Project on river Narmada;

(b) whether the report of Sardar Sarovar Construction Advisory Committee recommending raising of present height of the dam to 110 metres was discussed;

(c) whether the irrigation and power losses to Gujarat due to reduction of height of Narmada dam were also discussed; and

(d) if so, the details of agreement on the issues made reached in the recent meeting?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) The main issues discussed in the meeting regarding the height of Sardar Sarovar Dam related to the availability of water submergence due to reservoir, resettlement and rehabilitation aspects and generation of hydropower.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir.

(d) During the meeting the following was agreed to; construction of Sardar Sarovar Dam may proceed as planned, limiting the Full Reservoir level to 132.68